RE: JOHN MITCHINER B) 1777 NC, AND "ABSALA MITCHINER" (LISTED AS FEMALE) B) 1775 NC

BOTH LIVED IN SALT CREEK: PER SALT CREEK, JACKSON CO, INDIANA CENSUS... IN SEPARATE HOMES

BOTH LISTED AS BORN IN NORTH CAROLINA, HE IN 1777, SHE IN 1775

MAYBE THEY WERE BROTHER AND SISTER, BUT WHY WOULD HER LAST NAME (AT AGE 75) BE MITCHINER?

SHE OBVIOUSLY CANNOT BE HIS MOTHER, OR FATHER, AS MANY HAVE ERRONEOUSLY CONCURRED

SHE IS IN THE HOME OF NANCY MITCHINER LUTES, B) 1800, IN 1850 SALT CREEK CENSUS

SHE GOES BY "ABSALA MITCHINER", AND LIVES WITH NANCY MITCHINER, BUT IS NOT WIFE OF JOHN B) 1777, OR WHY LIVE IN SEPARATE HOMES

HE IS IN THE HOME OF MARTHA MITCHINER, WHO CANNOT BE HIS DAUGHTER, BECAUSE SHE AND HER CHILDREN WOULD THEN NOT HAVE THE MITCHINER SURNAME.

MAYBE MARTHA IS JOHN'S daughter-in-law, or granddaughter...

1860 SALT CREEK, JACKSON CO, INDIANA CENSUS:

JOHN MITCHINER B) 1774 (+ OR -) IS AGE 86
MARTHA MITCHINER B) 1830 IS AGE 30
GEORGE MITCHINER IS AGE 10
MARGARET MITCHINER IS AGE 9
WESLEY MITCHINER IS AGE 7
LEWIS MITHINER IS AGE 5

IT SEEMS VERY UNLIKELY, TO ME AT LEAST, THAT ANY JOHN, AGE 76 IN 1850, MARRIED ANY MARTHA, AGE 20, AND PROCEEDED TO CREATE FOUR CHILDREN WITH HER WITHIN 5 YEARS. not impossible, but unlikely

SO, THE MYSTERY IS:
ARE JOHN MITCHINER B)1777 IN NC and ABSALA MITCHINER B) 1775 SIBLINGS ???

IF THEY ARE SIBLINGS, THEN WHY IS HER LAST NAME MITCHINER WHEN SHE IS 75 YEARS OLD AND SHE LIVES WITH NANCY MITCHINER LUTES, WHO COULD WELL BE HER DAUGHTER, AT 25 YEARS YOUNGER.

IF THEY WERE ONCE MARRIED, WHY NO RECORD OF SUCH, AND WHY LIVE IN SEPARATE HOMES IN OLD AGE, IF NOT INFIRM... JOHN MARRIED CATHERINE maiden name unknown. IT IS THOUGHT HE THEN MARRIED MARTHA approximately 50 years younger.

OR IF NOT SIBLINGS NOR PREVIOUSLY SPOUSES TO EACH OTHER, THEN WHO IS THIS ABSALA (per census, female) MITCHINER? WHAT WAS HER MAIDEN NAME, IF SHE married into THE MITCHINERs